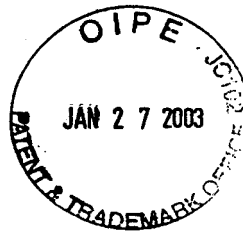


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

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1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
- i. Prior to abandonment of the application
 - ii. Payment of the issue fee
 - Prior to payment of the issue fee
 - Issue fee has been paid but a petition under § 1.313 has been granted
 - iii. Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
 - A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
 - iv. Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145; or
 - Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
 - Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
 - Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

3. a) Previously submitted
- Consider the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on December 24, 2002.
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered)
 - Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously submitted on
 - Other
- b) Enclosed herewith is/are:
- An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. §1.98)
 - Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
 - An amendment
 - New arguments
 - New evidence in support of patentability
 - Other:

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e))

4. This application is on behalf of:
 Large entity \$750.00

Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$750.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	Small Entity			Large Entity	
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. previously paid for	Present Extra	Rate	Add. Fee	Or	Rate	Add. Fee
Total	10	Minus			x\$9=	\$		x\$18=	\$
Indep.	1	Minus			x\$42=	\$		x\$84=	\$
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims					+\$140=	\$		+\$280=	
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(c) No additional fee is required.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension	Large Entity	Small Entity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
	Fee:	\$ 110.00

TOTAL FEES DUE

7. The total fees due are:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e))	\$750.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (if any) (§ 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$110.00
Total Fees Due	\$860.00

PAYMENT OF FEES DUE

8. Please pay the fees for this continued examination application as follows:
- Charge Credit Card the sum of \$860.00
(Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) attached)

Please charge any required additional fees for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to

- Account No. 12-1099 of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A.
- Credit Card (Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) attached).

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors:
- the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

10. Instructions as to Overpayment

- Credit Account No. 12-1099.
- Refund


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